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Subject: <u>Initial Review of Notice of Intention to Commence Large Mining Operations, Ophir Minerals</u>

and Aggregate Group, LLC, Lincoln Pit, M/049/0086, Utah County, Utah

Dear Mr. McKee:

The Division of Oil, Gas and Mining has reviewed the referenced Notice of Intention to Commence Large Mining Operations which was received April 16, 2012. The attached comments will need to be addressed before tentative approval may be granted.

Because of the small number of comments, the Division anticipates being able to issue tentative approval and begin advertising once your response to these comments has been received. Please, therefore, submit replacement pages and maps using form MR-REV available on the Division's web site. A condition of tentative approval will be that you submit one additional complete copy of the plan. When issuing final approval, the two copies of the plan will be stamped approved, and one copy will be returned to you.

Please submit your response to this review by July 2, 2012

The Division will suspend further review of the Notice of Intention until your response to this letter is received. If you have any questions in this regard please contact me at 801-538-5261 or Lynn Kunzler, at 801-538-5310. Thank you for your cooperation in completing this permitting action.

Sincerely.

Paul B. Baker

Minerals Program Manager

July for PBB

PBB: Lk; eb Attachment: Review

cc: Michael Nelson, BLM (<u>mnelson@blm.gov</u>)
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INITIAL REVIEW OF NOTICEOF INTENTION TO COMMENCE LARGE MINING OPERATIONS

Ophir Minerals and Aggregate Group, LLC Lincoln Pit

M/049/0086 May 25, 2012

R647-4-105 - Maps, Drawings & Photographs

General Map Comments

Comment #	Sheet/Page/ Map/Table #	Comments	Initials	Review Action
1	Figure 1	Please include a full copy of the USGS 7.5 minute quadrangle map with the location of the mine site, and highlight the route from the nearest town or major highway to the mine site.	whw lk	
2	Base Map Checklist (b)	Please state which of the items on the list are present at the mine site.	whw	4
3	Base Map Checklist (d)	If there are no areas that were previously impacted for which the company is not responsible, then please make this statement rather than saying it is not applicable.	whw lk	
4	Surface Facilities Map Checklist (a)	Please state which of the items on the list are present at the mine site.	whw	
5	Figure 2	Please revise this map to clearly show the property boundaries within the permit area. Also identify that portion of the BLM lands for which you currently have authorization from the BLM to operate on and those areas where authorization is pending or has not yet been granted. Areas which have had test pits or other mining related disturbances for which there is no BLM authorization will need to be reclaimed as soon as possible. These areas need to be highlighted on a map as well.	lk	